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FW: Possible correction for you and Eric to consider re: Joshua I. Cohen Reprints of June 20, 1775 Colony of NH copper plate issue

1 message

To: Eric Newman <ericnumis@aol.com>

Fri, Apr 16, 2010 at 2:43 PM

From:**Sent:** Friday, April 16, 2010 2:31 PM**To:** Stuart Levine**Cc:****Subject:** Possible correction for you and Eric to consider re: Joshua I. Cohen Reprints of June 20, 1775 Colony of NH copper plate issue

Stu-

I can't recall if I sent to you previously?

One additional item I noticed in the 5th edition of Eric's book re: the June 20, 1775 issue of £ 10,050 (page 239) that I believe needs a correction in future editions, is the discussion of the "Mendes I. Cohen" reprints. According to the information that Dave Bowers and I have, the reprints were actually done by his brother **Dr. Joshua I. Cohen** who collected colonial paper money. See the article in THE NUMISMATIST, February 1930, pages 86-90 which references the auction sale of the Cohen Collection on January 5, 1930 and how he gathered his collection of colonial paper money, and the "restrikes" he had made, which today are referred to as Cohen Reprints. You can also see the New York Times article on the 1930 sale in the NY Times Archives <http://select.nytimes.com/gst/abstract.html?res=F10A1EF9355A147A93C0A8178AD85F448385F9&scp=6&sq=joshua%20i.%20cohen%20baltimore&st=cse> An earlier sale of Joshua I. Cohen's autograph collection occurred in 1907, see <http://query.nytimes.com/gst/abstract.html?res=9C06E5D7103EE033A25754C1A9679D946697D6CF>

Col. Mendes Cohen and Joshua I. Cohen were brothers, both sons of Israel I. Cohen and Judith Cohen from Baltimore. Both were numismatists, Joshua collecting the colonial currency, and Mendes the coins. I think the fact that there were two Cohen brothers in numismatics causes much of the confusion. Mendes I. Cohen was more prominent a collector.

For online info on Cohens of Baltimore, see <http://www.jewishencyclopedia.com/view.jsp?artid=578&letter=C> which explains the relationship. Dates of their move to Baltimore need further research, as elsewhere I found reference online to "In 1784, the Cohen family matriarch, Judith Cohen, brought her one daughter and six sons from Richmond, Virginia, after her husband, Israel I. Cohen, died."

See the Maryland State Archives for info on Mendes I. Cohen: <http://www.msa.md.gov/megafile/msa/speccol/sc3500/sc3520/001800/001818/html/1818bio.html>

Best regards,

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Colony of
New Hampshire.

[N^o 4561]

June 20



The Possessor of this Note, shall be Entitled to rec^d
of this Colony the sum of Six shillings Lawful
December 1778 with Interest at the Rate of six p^{er} cent
And this Note shall be received in all payments
any time after the date hereof for the princip^{al}
Interest, if so paid before the Said 20th day
E. Thompson

Nich^l Gilman



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FW: NH images - 6 shillings

1 message

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Fri, Mar 12, 2010 at 5:42 PM

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Subject: RE: NH images - 6 shillings

Six shillings - genuine

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Colony of

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New Hampshire.

June 20 1775



The Possessor of this Note, shall be Entitled to receive out of the Treasury of this Colony, the sum of One Shilling lawfull money on the 20th of December 1777 with Interest at the Rate of six p. Cent, p. Annum; And this Note shall be received in all payments at the Treasury, at any time after the Date hereof, for the Principal sum without Interest, if so paid before the said 20th day of December A.D. 1777.

Receiver General



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Reprint 40 Shillings

David Sundman

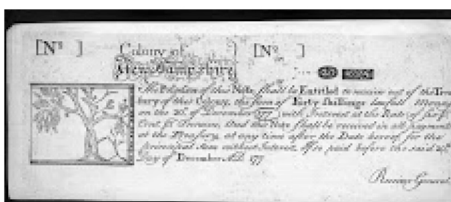
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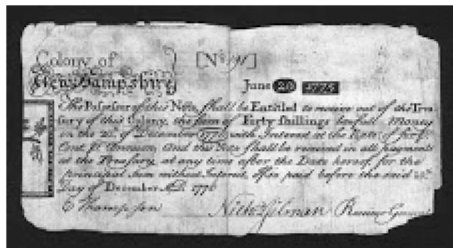
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NEW HAMPSHIRE

40. Forty Shillings 40.

This Bill of Forty Shillings due
to the Possessor thereof from the Province
of **NEW HAMPSHIRE**

shall be equal to Six Ounces of solid
Silver Troy Weight of Sterling Alloy or
Gold Com at a Rate of Four Pounds
eighteen Shillings per Ounce and shall be
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New Hampshire 40 Shilling April 3, 1742 redated 1743 and 1744/45 TEST1 message

To: Eric Newman <ERICNUMIS@aol.com>

Cc: 

Tue, Mar 15, 2011 at 5:35 PM

cc: David Bowers

Dear Eric-

I hope you are well and looking forward to spring. I hope your museum is doing fine. As I mentioned at the time, I really enjoyed my visit at the Central States event you hosted at the museum in May of 2008. What a wonderful turnout you had. You, your long career as a collector, author and researcher and your museum are inspirations.

As you "wrote the book" I thought you might enjoy this image of two left side quadrants of a New Hampshire 40 Shilling April 3, 1742 redated 1743 and 1744/45 bill that I recently added to my collection. I believe this "half" is a genuine 40 Shilling April 3, 1742 redated 1743 and 1744/45 bill. I attach seven images for comparison.

As you know, Cohen reprints exist of the backs of this issue, but not the face. You've pointed out to me in the past that the counterfeit back impressions of this issue are often quite weak. Comparing the back of the half note to the Cohen back reprints of the 40 shilling, I can see the back is strongly printed with a very even and well struck impression. A key indicator that these quadrants are from the same plate as the Cohen reprint is the bottom right scroll in the bottom quadrant. There are several small protrusions sticking out from the scroll where the engraver's hand must have slipped. Another is the vertical line on the right side margin about $\frac{3}{4}$ of an inch down from the top, which has a small stroke rightward, where the engraver's hand slipped again.

The original face plates together with reprints from the plates containing the eight denominations of the New Hampshire 6d/1s/2s6d/6s and the 7s6d/10s/20s/40s April 3, 1742 redated 1743 redated 1744/45 issues are currently on display at the Archives of the State of New Hampshire in Concord. The State of New Hampshire obtained these two plates at auction in London some 25 years or so ago. To be further certain that this portion of a 40 s. is genuine, I compared the face of the two quadrants to these recent reprints by the State of New Hampshire from the original plates. Attached is an image of the 40 s from the reprint of the original high denomination 7s6d/10s/20s/40s plate by the State of New Hampshire, and some enlarged portions of the genuine and counterfeit 40 shilling for comparison. These reprints by the State of NH were not sold to collectors, and the State Archives have the only examples. Frank Mevers allowed Dave Bowers and I to photograph them. Unfortunately, either due to the state of the plate, or the press used to

make the reprint, the result is a relatively poor impression. It's too bad Cohen did not have the plates available to him.

In the 4th and 5th editions of your The Early Paper Money of America you could not locate an image of the April 3, 1742 redated 1743 40s and thus illustrated the counterfeit 40 s. In examining the counterfeit April 3, 1742 redated 1743 40 Shilling (serial number blurred) illustrated in the 5th edition of on page 233 and a counterfeit example (serial #1520) in the AAS collection in Worcester, I conclude they both appear to be from the same plate. Further comparing these two counterfeit examples to the reprint from the original plates by the State of New Hampshire I can see numerous differences in the genuine impression. In the lower left quadrant the lion on top of the crown is facing slightly forward, rather than slightly back as on the genuine. In addition, the balls on the crown are unfinished on the genuine, compared to fully round balls on the crown of the counterfeit. There are numerous other differences which I have circled in red on the enlarged image of the coat of arms portion of the counterfeit. Comparing this half a bill to the reprint from the original plate and allowing for the relatively poor impression, I can still observe the same significant differences from the counterfeit.

In the intervening years have any other genuine examples or portions of the 40 shilling April 3, 1742 redated 1743 or the New Hampshire 40 Shilling April 3, 1742 redated 1743 and 1744/45 bills turned up? The only other possibility that I am aware of is Lot 595, in Stack's auction of John J Ford III, May 11, 12, 2004, which listed a counterfeit New Hampshire 40 Shilling April 3, 1742 redated 1743 and 1744/45. It is hard to tell absolutely from the catalog photo but I believe that lot 595 was described correctly as a contemporary counterfeit impression. Interestingly the counterfeit in lot 595 is from a different plate than used on the earlier April 3, 1742 redated 1743 counterfeit example you illustrate, and the April 3, 1742 redated 1743 counterfeit that the AAS has in their collection which I believe is from the same counterfeit plate. Unfortunately I did not examine lot 595 at the time as I was not so actively collecting colonial New Hampshire bills.

Is it possible that this half a bill was split and actually passed as a twenty shilling bill? Or perhaps was rejected while attempting to pass and thus survives? Or is it more likely that the right side of the bill simply was lost? Who knows. It appears to me by examination of these two quadrants with a 10x glass that the top and bottom quadrants were more recently split than the right side vertical axis separation. There is a small piece of paper still dangling at the top, and of course the two quadrants were from the same source and were obviously joined together at one time. There are more numerous threads protruding from the horizontal center fold axis. The right side of the vertical center fold axis is quite smooth, with fewer threads although not as smooth as the top, bottom, and left sides of the note which would have been cut with shears.

According to the previous owner, these two quadrant remnants were kept in a family bible (of 1820s vintage) together with other Colonial note quadrants from Connecticut, and handed down to family members through the years. If the other portions of the bill did once exist in the family bible, they are now lost. I figure although it's only half a bill, it's better than nothing. At any rate, this find reminds me that it is always fun to add something new to a collection, no matter the condition.

Any comments or observations you can make on the above would be appreciated.

On the personal front, my wife and I are about to become grandparents for the first and second time in the same year. Two of our daughters are pregnant, with one due in May, and the second due in July. We are really looking forward to becoming grandparents. Hopefully, they will become collectors!

All the All the best,

David

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7 attachments



NH Colonial 1742 redated 1743 redated 1744_45 40 Shilling REPRINT ex original plate NH state archives.jpg
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NH, 40 Shillings 1742 redated 43 redated 44_45 GENUINE bill Half CROP top left margin.jpg
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NH Colonial 40 Shilling CROP of top margin 1742-1743-1744-45 NH-reprint ex the original plates in NH state archives.JPG
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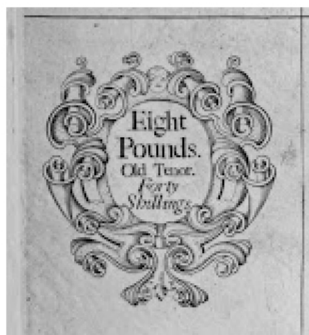
NH, 1742 redated 1743 red 1744-45 40 shillings-fractional half of bill genuine ENLARGED shield .jpg
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NH Colonial, 40 shillings-1742 redated 1743-AAS- face enlarged shield CFT key points of difference with genuine.JPG
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NH, 1742 redated 1743 redated Feb 1744-45 40 shillings-possibly UNIQUE fractional half of bill genuine .jpg
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40 Shillings Apr 3, 1742 Cohen reprint back.jpg
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Burdette G. Johnson records

3 messages

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Best to you and yours,

Eric

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To: EricNumis@aol.com

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Thanks Eric!

I had a great time in the files at the ANS—what an amazing record to have available for researchers. Thanks for making inquiries for me.

All the best,

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